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ATTN: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: Inventor(s): Uwe HEITMANN

Title: TOBACCO-PROCESSING PRODUCTION MACHINES

Sir:

Please find attached hereto patent application. It is hereby requested that this application be accorded a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1). Enclosed are:

- ☒ Twenty-Three (23) pages Specification, Claims, Abstract
- ☒ Ten (10) sheets of Formal Drawings
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney
- ☒ Assignment, certified cover sheet and recordation fee.
- ☒ Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 from German Patent Application No.19943320.8 filed September 8, 1999, certified copy enclosed.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO form 1449 with references cited.

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